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Mr. Dulles said that Pat Coyne was over yesterday to talk to him about the safety of our Key Officers. He had suggested to Pat Coyne that he thought assassinations of senior Government officials were not as dangerous as more subtle ways, such as "brain washing." He suggested that Pat be briefed on what we know about "brain washing," and that Cabinet and other senior officials be advised to take certain precautions, etc.

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Mr. Becker suggested that when [REDACTED] returned to duty on or about 1 April, he might be used, at least for a while, as a consultant to both DD/P and DD/I to improve relations between the overt and covert intelligence offices. Mr. Dulles indicated that he thought this would be a good idea and authorized Becker to discuss it with [REDACTED]

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Mr. Wisner reported on our conference of yesterday concerning the Immigration and Naturalization Subcommittee's request for names of individuals who have been brought into this country under the provisions of Section 8, Public Law 110. Mr. Dulles was under the impression that we had already supplied the names but not the addresses to Congress. Mr. Wisner thought not and I agreed. I later, at Mr. Wisner's request, confirmed this by written memorandum from the General Counsel to the Director.

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2. [REDACTED] was in for a session. His theme is that, while he believes everyone has conscientiously given his program all the support they could, he thinks that our contracting officers, as well as our legal people, are not sufficiently familiar with or interested in his particular project to get contracts through as fast as they might. He strongly recommends that we assign one contractor and one lawyer full-time to work on his peculiar problems. We also discussed briefly the peculiar situation in which we all find ourselves by reason of the fact that we are doing business with his company. In partial support of his argument for full-time lawyer and contractor, he says that he has no interest at all in having his company get our business but someone must get it and, if our

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contracter and lawyer are not employed full-time on their purely professional specialities, they could devote the rest of their time to finding other companies that could meet his requirements, expediting payments to small contractors, etc. I will explore this with General Counsel and Procurement and Supply. I think that they will probably be opposed to the idea; however, I am not so sure that this would not be worthwhile doing, at least for the next several months.

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principal points ironed out and that we can get an implementing procedure regulation out within a day or two. [redacted] indicated, on behalf of DD/P, that the points we agreed upon were acceptable to them. I have again directed [redacted] to expedite his rewrite of this regulation.

5. [redacted] requests that I arrange to get a refrigerator for people on the night shift at the Cable Secretariat office to use, and I told him I would take care of it in some way.

6. Approved a travel order for [redacted] Executive Officer, I&S, for temporary duty in [redacted]. The purpose of travel is for the inspection of Security Branch operations in [redacted] and investigative conference and consultations on specific security cases in [redacted]. Tentative plans call for his departure from Washington on 5 March 1953, arriving [redacted] on 6 March 1953. The exact dates of his visits [redacted] are to be determined after his arrival [redacted]. This travel has been coordinated with DD/P.

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the DD/P, any expenditure of this type at this time was going to be questioned very seriously. (In short, strengthen Wisner's hand as much as possible, if in the final analysis he desires not to recommend this construction.)

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Discussed with Saunders a memorandum to the Director amplifying the budget figures we supplied to the National Security Council over the weekend. Suggested a number of changes and asked him to have [redacted] discuss this with me tomorrow, while he is in [redacted]

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8. I went over a number of things with [redacted] He believes that the team which we propose to send to [redacted] to set up a proper supply system will probably not go until about June.

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[redacted] feels that they are making progress toward getting a trained logistic officer in each ARC Wing.

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I told [redacted] that somewhere in our warehouse we had a boat which belonged to General Smith, and he should insure that it is taken care of until General Smith calls for it.

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I asked [redacted] to emphasize to his Building Supply Officers that, while they belonged to the Procurement and Supply Office, they had an obligation to the Chief of General Services to insure that all building maintenance problems brought to their attention are not only transmitted to the Office of General Services but also they should follow up to insure that corrective action was taken.

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I discussed with [redacted] briefly the possible use of the cinder-block building at Rosslyn which we own when we move into the new warehouse at [redacted] He says they are studying this problem. They realize that a decision will have to be made shortly and they will make a positive recommendation to this office before taking disposal action.

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I told [REDACTED] examination of the accounts of 25X1A9a
the United States indicated that we were using an
excessive amount of air transportation. I realize that the Transportation people
are bending over backwards to make the operators happy; however, I believe that
we are not giving as much thought as we should to the expenditure of the tax-
payers' dollar and asked [REDACTED] to have a report prepared on this subject for 25X1A9a
our consideration here. 25X1A9a

9. I returned [REDACTED] recommendation that we proceed with the installation
of a modern ^{telephone} installation in the South Building. I told him that I wanted a
survey made to determine whether it was impossible to get along with what we
now have. I also asked him to draft a memorandum to the other Deputies pointing
out the present situation and asking them if they could tighten up any. I also
told him that, before asking Mr. Wolf or Mr. Dulles to go ahead with this project,
I wanted to carefully consider the pros and cons of retaining our telephone
installation in its present location or installing it in our new building, if
and when we have a new building.

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